## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Examiner: Gevell V. Selby KAZUTO ARIGA ) Group Art Unit: 2622 Application No.: 10/807,177 Confirmation No. 4196 Filed: March 24, 2004 For: IMAGE PICKUP APPARATUS ) HAVING COMPACT, LIGHT WEIGHT, RIGID INTERNAL ) CHASSIS February 13, 2009

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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir

A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is being filed herewith. Prior to further examination on the merits, and in response to the final Office Action dated November 13, 2008, please amend the above-identified application as follows.